SENATE BILL No. 318

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 16-41-19-7.

Synopsis: Insulin provided by township trustees. Allows a township trustee to require an individual who presents a claim for insulin to file a standard application for township assistance. (Current law allows the township trustee to require an individual to file a standard application after the second time the individual presents a claim for insulin.)

Effective: July 1, 2015.

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January 8, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on Local Government.



First Regular Session 119th General Assembly (2015)

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning health.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. IC 16-41-19-7, AS AMENDED BY P.L.73-2005,

2	SECTION 169, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
3	[EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015]: Sec. 7. (a) Except as provided in
4	subsection (b), all costs that are incurred in furnishing biologicals
5	under this chapter, IC 12-20-16-2(c)(13), or IC 12-20-16-14 shall be
6	paid by:
7	(1) the appropriate county, city, or town against which the
8	application form is issued from general funds; and
9	(2) the appropriate township against which the application form
10	is issued from funds in the township assistance fund;
11	not otherwise appropriated without appropriations.
12	(b) A township is not responsible for paying for biologicals as
13	provided in subsection (a)(2) if the township trustee has evidence that
14	the individual has the financial ability to pay for the biologicals.
15	(c) After being When a township trustee is presented with a legal
16	claim for insulin being furnished to the same an individual, a second



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1 2	time, a the township trustee may require the individual to complete and file a standard application for township assistance in order to
3	investigate the financial condition of the individual claiming to be
4	indigent. The trustee shall immediately notify the individual's physician
5	that:
6	(1) the financial ability of the individual claiming to be indigent
7	is in question; and
8	(2) a standard application for township assistance must be filed
9	with the township.
10	The township shall continue to furnish insulin under this section until
11	the township trustee completes an investigation and makes a
12	determination as to the individual's financial ability to pay for insulin.

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(d) For purposes of this section, the township shall consider an adult individual needing insulin as an individual and not as a member of a household requesting township assistance.

